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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time extending to March 13, 2001 the period for response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2000. A check in the amount of \$890.00 is attached. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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